ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a device and a method for handling flat wire binding element preforms, whereby the wire binding element preforms represent wire binding element semi-finished products. These types of wire binding elements are typically used in binding devices for loose binding of brochures consisting of several sheet-shaped materials using wire comb binding. According to various aspects of the invention, methods and devices are provided for accepting a flat wire binding element preform from a feed, transporting the flat wire binding element preform, and inserting the flat wire binding element preforms into a row of perforations in a stack of sheet-shaped print materials.